FISCAL NOTE

HB 2927 - SB 3096

February 23, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a centralized methamphetamine treatment program in lieu of incarceration for eligible offenders. Authorizes the Commissioner of Correction to establish a five-member advisory committee.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$1,620,600 Recurring \$10,125,000 One-Time

Assumptions:

- The one-time increase in state expenditures reflects the cost to construct a minimum security treatment facility with 150 beds.
- The estimated operating cost per day of the treatment facility is \$65.75 and the current per diem for housing state felons in local jails is \$40.78. There is an annual increase in operating costs of \$1,368,043.87 (\$65.75 \$40.78 x 150 offenders and 365.25 days). The Department of Correction will need four additional positions to develop, administer, conduct training, and disseminate data related to the program.
- Travel expenses for four members of the advisory committee of \$600 per meeting (\$150 x 4). No travel reimbursement for one member who is based in Nashville.
- The majority of offenders impacted by bill would already come into the Board of Probation and Parole (BOPP) supervision and therefore BOPP would not require additional resources to implement this bill.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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